TRAFFIC ADVISORY



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UPDATE

Contains additional closure not included in March 5 advisory.

Closures for I-5/SR-14 Direct HOV Connector Project

Sylmar/North San Fernando Valley — The California Department of Transportation (Caltrans) will close northbound I-5 at SR-14 from Thursday, March 8, at 10 p.m. to Friday, March 9, at 5 a.m. Vehicles will be detoured onto the Truck Route. The closure is necessary so that crews can pour concrete for the new I-5/SR-14 connector. Closure details:

- The connector from westbound I-210 to northbound I-5 will be closed at the same time. Vehicles will be detoured onto the Truck Route.
- At least two lanes of the connector from northbound I-5 to northbound SR-14 will remain open.
- Electronic signs will alert motorists to the detour in advance of the closure.

Additional Closure: Up to two lanes of southbound I-5 will be closed between Weldon Canyon and Balboa Boulevard from Thursday, March 8, at 11 p.m. to Friday, March 9, at 4 a.m.

Closures are subject to change.

About the Project

This project involves the construction of an elevated two-lane direct HOV connector at the I-5/SR-14 interchange and construction of HOV lanes in both directions of I-5 at the interchange. A direct HOV connector will allow for freeway-to-freeway transfers without exiting the carpool lane.

The project will relieve congestion, improve traffic flow, enhance safety and improve traffic operations on both freeways at the interchange. The work is part of Caltrans' effort to provide motorists with a seamless carpool lane network in California.

Work began in July 2008 and is on track to be completed in summer 2013. Caltrans thanks the motoring public for their patience and understanding during construction.



For more information, check out the project web page:

http://www.dot.ca.gov/dist07/travel/projects/details.php?id=32

To find out more about I-5 improvements currently underway, visit www.I-5info.com.

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